REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

It is requested that the last amendment be entered and considered.

In the Advisory Action the Examiner's comments in Item 11 of the Advisory Action, indicates a misunderstanding or confusion leading to a question as to whether "gum arabic" is listed as an alginate. In the description pointed out by the Examiner, "gum arabic" is now more clearly exemplified so as to avoid any confusion,

It is submitted that the misinterpretation or confusion would not have been an issue for a person of ordinary skill in the art. The correct interpretation is obvious.

In view of the above, the rejections are avoided. Allowance of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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